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EBENEZERFIELD,
BUSBY, 13*th* *February*, 1900.

TO THE DIRECTORS OF
WESTERN INFIRMARY.

GENTLEMEN,

I beg to offer myself as a Candidate for the post of Physician for Diseases of Women to the Dispensary of the Western Infirmary. I am 31 years of age, and graduated at Glasgow University in 1890. Since then I have been Resident Assistant in the Victoria Infirmary for one year, and then Intern Assistant at Rotunda Hospital for Women, Dublin, and after this Clinical Clerk and Assistant to the Soho Hospital for Women, London, and finally I studied Diseases of Women in Berlin and Vienna for a period of six months. Since then I have been in general practice, having had ample opportunity of studying specially Gynoecological cases. If I receive the appointment, I am prepared to reside in town, and will endeavour to discharge my duties faithfully.

I am,

Yours respectfully,

WILLIAM DOVE MACFARLANE, JR.,
M.B. AND C.M.

From J. A. MANSELL-MOULLIN, M.D., F.R.C.S., *Surgeon to Soho Hospital for Women, London.*

80 PORCHESTER TERRACE,
HYDE PARK, W.,
LONDON, 10*th February*, 1900.

DR. WM. D. MACFARLANE was known to me during his period of study in the Soho Hospital for Women. He acted as Clinical Clerk to the Hospital, and also as my Private Assistant. From the knowledge he acquired then, and from his further special training in Berlin and Vienna, I believe him to be thoroughly competent for the position he now seeks.

J. A. MANSELL-MOULLIN.

From WM. J. SMYLY, M.D., F.R.C.P., *Ex Master, Rotunda Hospital, Dublin.*

DR. WM. D. MACFARLANE resided in this Hospital for upwards of three months, and was a most earnest and diligent worker.

Dr. Macfarlane has a thorough practical knowledge of Midwifery, and of the diagnosis and treatment of those diseases which are peculiar to women, and I have no doubt that he could fill any position where such knowledge is required with credit to himself and advantage to those committed to his care.

WM. J. SMYLY.

From WM. S. BAGOT, M.B., *Ex Senior Assistant Master, Rotunda Hospital, Dublin.*

DR. MACFARLANE has taken out a course of Practical Midwifery and Gynoecology as an intern pupil at this Hospital for a period of three months.

While there he always distinguished himself by his diligence, ability, and steady conduct. Having had ample opportunity of observing his work I can confidently recommend him for the post which he now seeks.

WM. S. BAGOT.

From ROBERT A. FLYNN, M.B., *Ex Assistant Master, Rotunda Hospital, Dublin.*

IT affords me great pleasure in stating that DR. MACFARLANE was "resident" in the Rotunda Hospital for over three months, during which time he worked exceedingly hard to acquire a really sound and practical knowledge of Midwifery and Diseases

peculiar to Women and Children, which I am sure he has achieved. Dr. Macfarlane has attended regularly all the Gynoecological and Obstetrical operations of this Hospital, and had sole charge of great numbers of women in labour, both in Hospital and at their own homes.

I consider Dr. Macfarlane a sound practical Physician, one whose professional knowledge and gentlemanly bearing render him as deserving of success. I have much pleasure in thus testifying to his professional qualifications and personal qualities.

ROBERT A. FLYNN.

From DR. TH. LANDAU, M.D., *Hospital for Women, Dublin.*

DR. W. D. MACFARLANE attended my private class in Diagnosis of Diseases peculiar to Women, and was a diligent worker.

TH. LANDAU.

From A. MARTIN, M.D., *Professor of Midwifery and Gynoecology in the University of Berlin.*

HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN,
ELSSASER ST., BERLIN.

[TRANSLATION.]

DR. MACFARLANE attended the Clinique in Diseases of Women here.

A. MARTIN.

From DR. WINTER, *Professor of Midwifery and Gynoecology, Frauen Klinik, Berlin.*

[TRANSLATION.]

DR. MACFARLANE attended the Ferien Course on Diseases of Women, March, 1894.

DR. WINTER.

From A. SCHAEFER, M.D., *Assistant to Professor of Midwifery and Gynoecology, Poly Clinic, La Charité Hospital, Berlin.*

[TRANSLATION.]

DR. MACFARLANE attended the Class of Practical Gynoecology here.

A. SCHAEFER.

From H. SONNENBURG, *Professor of Surgery, University of Berlin.*

MOABIT HOSPITAL,
BERLIN.

[TRANSLATION.]

DR. MACFARLANE attended Private Class on Operative Abdominal Surgery, February, 1894.

H. SONNENBURG.

From DR. LUMPE, *Privat Docent, General Hospital, Vienna.*

[TRANSLATION.]

DR. W. D. MACFARLANE attended my class of Operative Gynoecology in April, 1894, performing all minor and major operations to my satisfaction.

DR. LUMPE.

DR. ZUCKERKANDL, *Lecturer on Operative Surgery, Krankenhaus, Vienna.*

[TRANSLATION.]

DR. MACFARLANE attended the Class of General Operative Surgery.

DR. ZUCKERKANDL.

From J. CRAWFORD RENTON, M.D., *Surgeon and Lecturer on Clinical Surgery, Western Infirmary, Glasgow; Examiner in Surgery in the University of Edinburgh.*

1 WOODSIDE TERRACE,
GLASGOW, *9th February*, 1900.

DR. WILLIAM D. MACFARLANE, after having graduated with distinction in the Glasgow University, was Resident Assistant

in the Victoria Infirmary, and thereafter gained experience in Gynoecology in Dublin, London, Berlin, and Vienna, having opportunities of practical operative work. In addition he has had five years of general practice under the training of his father, whom we all regard as one of the most accomplished practitioners in our profession. He is thus well entitled to be a candidate for the vacancy of Dispensary Physician for Diseases of Women at the Western Infirmary.

J. CRAWFORD RENTON.

From F. FERGUS, M.D., *Surgeon to Eye Infirmary, Berkeley Street, Glasgow.*

22 BLYTHSWOOD SQUARE,
GLASGOW, 29*th January*, 1900.

I HAVE very great pleasure in testifying to the exceptional merits of DR. W. D. MACFARLANE, Jun. I know him intimately, and I regard him as one of the most thoroughly equipped medical men with whom I am acquainted.

Professionally he combines technical knowledge with shrewd common sense. Although not entitled to speak of his special qualifications in the department of Gynoecology, yet the training which he has had seems to me admirably to fit him for the post for which he is now applying.

F. FERGUS.

From A. MAITLAND RAMSAY, M.D., *Surgeon to Ophthalmic Institution, and Lecturer on Ophthalmology, Royal Infirmary.*

15 WOODSIDE PLACE,
GLASGOW, *8th February*, 1900.

AS I have known DR. WILLIAM D. MACFARLANE ever since he began the study of medicine in Glasgow University, it affords me great pleasure to bear testimony to the high opinion I have formed of his character and of his medical attainments.

After a brilliant career at College, Dr. Macfarlane attended the Rotunda Hospital, Dublin, and immediately on his return home was appointed one of the House Surgeons in the Glasgow Victoria Infirmary. After holding this post for a year he became a Clinical Clerk at the Soho Hospital for Women, London, and after three months' work there he proceeded to Berlin and Vienna in the further prosecution of his Gynoecological studies.

He has thus had an exceptionally good training for the position he now seeks, and I am confident that both as regards knowledge and personal qualities he is thoroughly worthy to be trusted. On these grounds I beg to give him my heartiest recommendation, feeling sure that he will always acquit himself honourably, and will ultimately attain distinguished success in his profession.

A. MAITLAND RAMSAY.

From A. ERNEST MAYLARD, B.S., M.B., *Surgeon to the Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow.*

10 BLYTHSWOOD SQUARE,
GLASGOW, 30*th January*, 1900.

DR. WM. D. MACFARLANE was well known to me during his one year period of residence in the Victoria Infirmary. In the capacity of Assistant Resident Surgeon he did good work, and the assiduity with which he has pursued his studies since shows him to be a man of no ordinary ability. I can confidently recommend him for the post he now seeks.

A. ERNEST MAYLARD.

From R. H. PARRY, F.R.C.S.E., *Surgeon to the Victoria Infirmary, and Surgeon to the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Glasgow.*

3 ROYAL CRESCENT, QUEEN'S PARK,
GLASGOW, 29*th January*, 1900.

I OFFER DR. WM. MACFARLANE my warmest support in his application for the vacant post in the Dispensary for Women in the Western Infirmary, Glasgow.

I base my high opinion of him solely on personal observation of his work and character while acting as my House Surgeon

in the Victoria Infirmary. He displayed much enthusiasm and intelligent interest in his work, which he always performed with skill and tact.

It was evident to us then that he had a strong leaning towards Gynoecology, and he has since given ample proof of this by placing himself under the best teachers on the subject in this country and abroad.

He has already taken a deservedly honourable position among our rising gynoecologists, and his appearance on the staff of one of our Infirmaries would be hailed with pleasure and satisfaction, not only by us, but by his teachers abroad, who, I know, considered him a man of exceptional abilities.

R. H. PARRY.

From ALEX. NAPIER, M.D., F.F.P.S.G., *Physician, Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow.*

ROSEBANK,
QUEEN MARY AVENUE, CROSSHILL,
GLASGOW, 29*th January*, 1900.

I HAVE pleasure in supporting most strongly the candidature of DR. W. D. MACFARLANE for the post of Dispensary Surgeon for Diseases of Women in the Western Infirmary, rendered vacant by the lamented death of Dr. G. A. Turner. Dr. Macfarlane has laid for himself the best possible foundation for specialization: (1) in his thorough and all-round

training in the Victoria Infirmary and in about eight years' general practice in Busby; and (2) in the time, energy, and enthusiasm devoted by him to the study of his specialty in Dublin, London, Berlin, and Vienna. I know of no one so well fitted for the post he now seeks, and I have entire confidence therefore in urging his claims on the attention of the Western Infirmary Directors.

ALEX. MILNER.

From EBENEZER DUNCAN, M.D., F.F.P.S.G., *Physician, Victoria Infirmary.*

QUEEN'S PARK HOUSE,
GLASGOW, 30*th January*, 1900.

DEAR MR. MACFARLANE,

I am glad to know that you are an applicant for the vacant post of Dispensary Physician in the department of Diseases of Women in the Western Infirmary.

I know that you have made a special study of Gynoecology and Abdominal Surgery, not only in this country, but also under eminent teachers in various continental hospitals. You have also had large experience in other branches of medical work, which has in your case prevented the narrowing of view which exclusive devotion to a specialty is apt to produce. Not only from these facts, but also from my

personal observation of the marked ability with which you performed the duties of Resident House Physician in the Victoria Infirmary, I am sure that, if you obtain the vacant post, you will do all the duties as Gynoecologist and Teacher in the Western Infirmary with the same energy, ability, and success.

I hope the Managers of the Infirmary will give your application the favourable consideration to which it is entitled. —I am, yours very faithfully.

EBEN. DUNCAN.

From L. R. SUTHERLAND, M.D., *Professor of Pathology in the University of St. Andrews.*

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE,
DUNDEE, *9th February*, 1900.

DR. WM. D. MACFARLANE has been well known to me for many years as an earnest student of medicine, and as a practitioner who has always evinced special interest in and aptitude for Gynoecological work. His training in the Rotunda Hospital in Dublin, in the Soho Hospital for Women in London, and his valuable experience in the Gynoecological Cliniques in Berlin and Vienna, qualify him for the post for which he is a candidate, in a very special manner.

L. R. SUTHERLAND.

From JOHN YULE MACKAY, M.D., C.M., *Principal of University College, Dundee, and Professor of Anatomy in the University of St. Andrews.*

THE COLLEGE,
DUNDEE, 10*th February*, 1900.

IT gives me very great pleasure to express my esteem of DR. W. D. MACFARLANE, an old student who has abundantly fulfilled the high expectations which I, in common, I think, with all his teachers, formed of him in his undergraduate days.

His ability is very marked, and he has so earnestly devoted himself to the special branch of professional work which he has adopted, that few or none of the men of his standing in years can show a record so rich in experience.

His high personal qualities have won my warm admiration, and I feel sure that he is likely, from his ability and his character, to attract to himself, in no ordinary way, the confidence and regard both of his patients and his colleagues in work.

JOHN YULE MACKAY.